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Federal Communications Commission
c/o Marlene Dortch, Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

WT 11-65: In the Matter of Applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG
for consent to assign or Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations

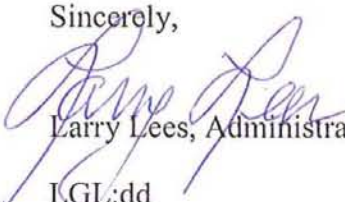
AT&T's merger with T-Mobile is good for consumers across California. This acquisition is especially good for communities like Shasta who aren't able to have the same broadband access as major metro cities. Shasta County is truly blessed with natural beauty, recreational opportunities and wonderful residents and this acquisition will help enable our ability to remain competitive with the rest of the state.

As the Administrative Officer in Shasta County, I am aware of how this acquisition will benefit California and I believe it is important to promote all efforts to build out the most advanced networks possible, especially in this economic climate. I urge the Commission to approve this acquisition as soon as possible. A prompt approval will allow AT&T to deploy their 4G network throughout California sooner rather than later – and that would be better for us all.

The reason for my support is simple. This acquisition will bring support to rural communities, like mine, who aren't able to have the same fast speeds and reliable networks as major metro areas, allowing for us to be able to compete on a state level. Simply put, this transaction will benefit our communities, companies and institutions. That is a deal that I think everyone can support.

I thank you for your consideration in this matter and hope that you agree that it is vital for California and the nation.

Sincerely,


Larry Lees, Administrative Officer, Shasta County

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cc: Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Michael Copps
Commissioner Robert McDowell
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker